Amendment No. 3 to HB1481

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1018*

House Bill No. 1481

by deleting subdivision (1) of subsection (a) in Section 1 in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(1) All persons entering into employment after the effective date of this act as a municipal, county or state employed plumbing and/or mechanical inspector having jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this chapter shall receive certification from the state fire marshal before enforcing applicable plumbing, mechanical and fuel gas codes. Plumbing and mechanical inspectors hired after the effective date of this act shall have up to twelve (12) months from the date of employment to receive certification. Municipal, county or state plumbing and mechanical inspectors employed on the effective date of this act shall be deemed to meet the certification qualifications of this chapter for three (3) years from the date of certification. On the expiration date of the three-year period, all plumbing and mechanical inspectors so deemed to meet the qualifications set out by subdivision (1) must meet all requirements of subdivision (2) in order to be recertified. An application for certification shall be filed with the state fire marshal on a form to be developed by the state fire marshal. The state fire marshal shall promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5, relative to the standards and qualifications for certification. Such rules and regulations shall require proof satisfactory to the state fire marshal that the candidate understands all applicable plumbing, mechanical and fuel gas codes.

AND FURTHER AMEND in subdivision (2) of subsection (1) in Section 1 by deleting the language "Any person shall be deemed to meet the requirements of this chapter who has been continuously employed as a municipal or county plumbing or mechanical inspector for a period of seven (7) years or more."

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting Section 3 of the printed bill in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 3. For the purpose of promulgating rules and regulations this act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes this act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.